GLIAC Volleyball Weekly Release, Sept. 3, 2002

2002 Standings
(Through matches of Sept. 1)

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Last Week’s Results

Friday, Aug. 30
Ashland 3, Kutztown (Pa.) 0 (30-14, 30-24, 30-20)
Michigan Tech 3, Rollins (Fla.) 1 (32-30, 30-27, 24-30, 30-27)
Minn.-Duluth 3, Michigan Tech 0 (30-28, 30-24, 30-16)
#23 Northwood 3, #18 Hawaii-Pac. 2 (28-30, 26-30, 31-29, 30-18, 17-15)
#23 Northwood 3, Northern St. 0 (30-20, 30-19, 30-22)

Saturday, Aug. 31
Ashland 3, at Wilmington (Del.) 0 (30-20, 30-18, 30-20)
Ashland 3, Philadelphia 1 (30-24, 28-30, 30-27, 30-25)
Findlay 3, Indiana 1 (30-27, 30-18, 23-30, 30-28)
Indiana, Pa. 3, Findlay 1 (27-30, 30-16, 25-30, 30-32)
Wheeling Jesuit (WV) 3, Gannon 1 (27-30, 30-28, 32-30, 30-18)
Gannon 3, California (Pa.) 0 (30-27, 30-18, 30-20)
Wayne State 3, Alderson-Broaddus 1 (30-19, 20-30, 30-21, 30-21)
#9 Grand Valley St. 3, Henderson St. 0 (30-14, 30-16, 30-25)
#9 Grand Valley 3, #8 N. Dakota St. 0 (30-27, 30-26, 33-31)

Ferris State 3, Bellarmine (Ky.) 0 (30-22, 30-18, 30-15)
Ferris State 3, at Wheeling Jesuit 1 (21-30, 30-24, 30-20, 30-21)
Lake Superior St. 3, Millersville 0 (30-25, 25-26, 31-29)
Lake Superior St. 3, Indianapolis 2 (26-30, 31-29, 23-30, 30-23, 15-10)
St. Joes 3, Saginaw Valley St. 1 (31-33, 30-28, 21-30, 23-30)
Saginaw Valley St. 3, Bellarmine 2 (21-30, 30-26, 25-23, 15-13)
Northern Michigan 3, Minn.-Crookston 1 (30-22, 29-30, 28-30, 30-17)
Northern Michigan 3, Rolls (Fla.) 1 (30-18, 25-30, 30-17, 30-28)
Indiana, Pa. 3, Hillsdale 0 (30-19, 30-10, 30-27)
Hillsdale 3, Alderson-Broaddus 0 (30-25, 29-28, 30-22)
Michigan Tech 3, Minn.-Crookston 1 (30-25, 26-30, 30-19, 30-17)
#23 Northwood 3, E. Texas Baptist 0 (30-15, 30-14, 30-15)
#23 Northwood 3, Evergreen St. 0 (30-18, 30-14, 30-15)

Sunday, Sept. 1
Findlay 3, Bellarmine (Ky.) 0 (30-23, 30-15, 30-17)
Findlay 3, St. Joseph’s (Ind.) 0 (30-22, 30-22, 30-25)
Gannon 3, Millersville (Pa.) 0 (30-20, 30-18, 30-20)

Gannon 3, Lees-McRae 1 (28-30, 30-18, 30-24, 30-24)
Mercyhurst 3, Shippensburg (Pa.) 0 (30-21, 30-22, 30-13)
Wayne State 3, Indianapolis 1 (19-20, 31-29, 30-18, 31-29)
Wayne State 3, Bellarmine 0 (30-22, 30-27, 34-32)
#6 North Alabama 3, #9 Grand Valley St. 0 (30-24, 30-25, 30-23)
Ferris State 3, St. Joes (Ind.) 0 (30-26, 30-20, 30-26)
Ferris State 3, Alderson-Broaddus 0 (30-27, 30-20, 30-27)
Lake Superior St. 3, California (Pa.) 1 (30-22, 30-19, 30-30, 32-30)
Indiana (Pa.) 3, Lake Superior St. 2 (27-30, 26-30, 30-17, 30-25, 15-10)
Alderson-Broaddus 3, Saginaw Valley 2 (30-24, 25-30, 27-30, 30-26, 10-15)
Indiana 3, Saginaw Valley St. 2 (30-17, 30-13, 30-23)
Minn.-Duluth 3, Northern Michigan 1 (30-28, 30-28, 25-30, 30-24)
Hillsdale 3, Wheeling Jesuit 0 (30-27, 30-26, 30-24)
Hillsdale 3, Millersville 0 (30-23, 30-12, 30-20)
#23 Northwood 3, Northern St. 0 (30-25, 30-28, 34-32)
North Dakota 3, Northwood 1 (30-21, 15-30, 30-27, 30-28)

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Olds led the Bulldogs to a 4-0 mark at the Wheeling Jesuit (W.Va.) Invitational as she tallied 53 kills (53-10-96), 42 digs and 21 total blocks in four weekend matches. Olds posted 21 kills and 14 digs on versus Wheeling Jesuit. In the season opener against Bellarmine (Ky.), Olds had 11 kills and no errors on 15 total attempts (.733).

North Division Player of the Week:
Alaina Olds - Ferris State
(Sr, MH, Kingsley, Mich.)

South Division Player of the Week:
Kara Heitmeyer - Findlay
(Jr, OH, Bluffton, Ohio)

Heitmeyer led the Oilers to a 3-1 mark at the Wheeling Jesuit tourney by tallying 67 kills and making only 10 errors for a .383 hitting percentage. She had eight service aces, 14 digs (1.00) and eight blocks (0.57) for the weekend. Heitmeyer had 18 kills (.346 hitting percentage), five aces, and six digs in win over Indianapolis.

Honor Roll: Carly Miller - GV, Leslie Newcomer - LS, Sarah Ahnen - MT, Sladjana Vasiljevic - NU, Jamie Reed - SV.

2002 Players of the Week: (9/3) A. Olds - FS.

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GLIAC Volleyball Matches This Week

**Wednesday, September 4**
Siena Heights (Mich.) at Hillsdale, 7 pm
Michigan-Dearborn at Wayne State, 7 pm

**Friday, September 6**
Ashland hosts Huntington Bank Classic, TBD
Ferris State at Harding (Ark.) Invitational, TBD
Findlay at Tampa (Fla.) Classic, TBD
Grand Valley State hosts Days Inn Classic, TBD
Lake Superior St. at GVSU Days Inn Classic, TBD
Hillsdale at Madonna (MI) Tournament, TBD
Mercyhurst at California (Pa.) Classic, TBD
Michigan Tech at North Dakota St. Classic, TBD
Northern Michigan at Colorado Premier, TBD
Northwood at Rollins Coll. Invitational, TBD
Saginaw Valley at Madonna (MI) Tournament, TBD

**Saturday, September 7**
Ashland hosts Huntington Bank Classic, TBD
Ferris State at Harding (Ark.) Invitational, TBD
Findlay at Tampa (Fla.) Classic, TBD
Gannon at Indiana (Pa.) Tournament, TBD
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Ferris State – The FSU women’s volleyball team opened the 2002 campaign with a 4-0 record at the Wheeling Jesuit (W.Va.) Invitational held this past weekend (Aug. 31-Sept. 1). The Bulldogs defeated Bellarmine (Ky.), Wheeling Jesuit, St. Joseph’s (Ind.) and Alderson-Broaddus (W.Va.). FSU lost only one game in the four matches... The 2002 campaign marks the 30th anniversary of the Ferris State women’s volleyball program... Senior Alaina Olds (Kingsley, Mich.) tallied 53 kills, 42 digs and 21 total blocks in the four weekend matches... Sophomore Ashley Green (Pittsburgh, Pa./Baldwin) had 123 set assists over the weekend, including 50 versus Wheeling Jesuit... The Bulldogs were listed among others receiving votes in the American Volleyball Coaches Association Division II Preseason Poll... FSU head coach Tia Brandel-Wilhelm has won all seven of her season-opening matches at Ferris State. The Bulldogs have won their first four matches in each of the past five seasons... The Bulldogs will take part in the Harding (Ark.) Invitational this Friday-Saturday (Sept. 6-7) at Searcy, Ark.

Findlay – Findlay, ranked 22nd in the country in the AVCA Preseason Poll, posted three wins in four matches this weekend at the Wheeling Jesuit Tournament, with the only blemish being a loss to IUP...the Oilers had wins over Indianapolis, Bellarmine, and St. Joseph’s over the weekend...junior Kara Heitmeyer had a strong weekend for the Oilers, leading Findlay in kills in all four matches...she finished the tournament with 67 kills (.383 hitting percentage), eight aces, 14 digs, and eight blocks...sophomore Kelly Pohlman also had an outstanding weekend for Findlay...Pohlman, who saw limited playing time last season, contributed 34 kills, 45 digs, and 20 blocks over the weekend, while posting a .212 hitting percentage...for the tournament the Oilers out dug their opponents 261 to 182 while averaging 18.64 digs per game...two seniors Jen Bostelman and Lindsey Beckstedt had 47 and 37 digs respectively...the Oilers will travel to Tampa, Florida this weekend to compete in the University of North Florida Classic.

Gannon – Gannon started the 2002 campaign in fine fashion with a 3-1 record last weekend at the Wheeling Jesuit Tournament ... Katie O’Connor led Gannon in kills (56) during the tourney ... Jess Deemer averaged 12 assists and 3.43 digs per game during Gannon’s four games ... Sophomore Megan Heisler led the squad in blocks with 17 and was second in kills with 50 ... O’Connor and LeAnn Byer added 16 and 15 blocks respectively ... O’Connor recorded 18 kills in a 3-1 victory against Lees-McRae, three shy of her career-high ... Mandi Altomari posted a double-double in three of four matches ... the Lady Knights won 10 of 14 games at the tourney ... Gannon hopes to rebound with a winning season after failing to qualify for last year’s GLIAC Tournament for the first time in five years ... the Lady Knights return to action September 7 against Indiana (PA) and Juniata at the Indiana (PA) Tournament.

Grand Valley State – GVSU started the 2002 season going 2-1 in North Alabama with three-game sweeps of #8 North Dakota State and Henderson State and a loss to #6 North Alabama...GVSU was ranked #9 in the first AVCA poll of the season...Senior Carly Miller (Jackson, Mich.) posted double-digit kills in all three matches, with two double-doubles... Overall Miller tallied 31 kills and 38 digs in nine games...Senior Chara Fehsenfeld recorded 12 kills and 10 digs in the win over NDSU and tallied 30 kills and 24 digs for the weekend...Junior Nicole Bayle registered 7 kills on 9 attacks, 41 assists, and five service aces vs. Henderson State...The Lakers will host the Days Inn Classic this weekend, Sept. 6-7, and will start action at noon on Friday versus Lees McRae in the GVSU Fieldhouse Arena.

Hillsdale – Senior OH Amy Foster posted 29 kills, 11 digs and six blocks in helping Hillsdale to a 3-1 record at the Wheeling Jesuit Tournament on Aug. 31-Sept. 1. Foster’s top performance for the weekend came against Millerville, where she recorded 10 kills in a 3-0 sweep of the Marauders... Sophomore Heidi Scott posted a career-high 11 kills in a 3-0 victory over Wheeling Jesuit on Sept. 1...Scott played in three matches over the weekend, which was one more than she played all of last season as a freshman (2 matches played)...senior Stephanie Johnson led the Chargers with 37 kills over the weekend...despite missing one match, junior Brook Brown is leading the team with a .304 hitting percentage...as a freshman, Brooke Neptune leads the team with 1.60 blocks per game...sophomore Karin Poschke’s 133 assists in four matches is nearly half of her season total from last year (279).
Lake Superior State – Senior setter Leslie Newcomer (Edwardsburg, Mich.) got off to a great start as this year’s No. 1 setter at this weekend’s Wheeling Jesuit Tournament. She and the team improved every match, posting a 3-1 mark. The Lakers ran out of gas in the last three sets against a strong Indiana-Pennsylvania team on Sunday afternoon, but Newcomer never let up and compiled 52 assists. That effort puts her among LSSU’s top 10 for single-match assists. Newcomer also had 19 assists against Millersville, 40 assists against Indianapolis and 38 assists against California-Pa.

Mercyhurst – Mercyhurst started 4-0 a year ago, on its way to a 19-16 mark, its best season since 1993, its first ever above-.500 mark in the GLIAC (10-7), and its first ever GLIAC playoff appearance. The Lady Lakers, 4-0 last season in matches that went five games, opened with a five-game win over Lock Haven, a team that made the Elite Eight in 2001. Sophomore OH Lyndsi Hughes (Grove City, Pa) had 24 kills in the win over Lock Haven, three shy of the team’s one-match record. Freshman Kari Clapham, the heir apparent at setter to the graduating and all-time assist leader Sarah Antonette, contributed 67 helpers in the two matches. Junior MH Jenn Barba (Meadville, Pa) totaled 15 kills in the two matches while senior DS Carrie Borowski (Hamburg, NY) had 34 digs.

Michigan Tech – Freshman Taryn Franznick (Southlake, Texas) was named to the six-player Ramada Inn Invitational All-Tournament Team. . . . Senior Sarah Ahnen (Algonquin, Ill./H.D. Jacobs) set a new single-match attack percentage mark in Saturday’s (Aug. 31) match vs. Minnesota-Crookston. Ahnen, who played in the final two games of the match, had 12 kills in 15 errorless attempts for an .800 attack percentage. The previous record of .765 was set by Kristin Schuster back on Oct. 15, 1994.

Northern Michigan – Tracy Hruska picked up her first career win against Minnesota-Crookston on Saturday as she is serving as the interim head coach for the Wildcats this season…The Wildcats travel West this week to take part in the Colorado Premier Challenge…The ‘Cats tangle with Northern Colorado and Western State on Friday then continue with pool play on Saturday…Jennie Little and Holly Greenamyre were both named to the NMU-Ramada Inn Invitational All-Tournament Team…Greenamyre led the Wildcats over the weekend with 40 kills (3.33 k/game) as Little had 39 kills (3.25 k/game)...Little had five service aces over the weekend…Kelli McCune had 116 assists over the weekend…Meghan Kimball had 49 digs over the weekend.

Northwood – Northwood finished the Hawaiian Style Classic with a 5-1 record and a second-place finish...The T-Wolves fell 3-1 in the finals to North Dakota...NU opened the season with a 3-2 win over #18 Hawaii Pacific...The Timberwolves rallied from an 0-2 deficit and claimed a 17-15 game five to take the match...Senior Amy Gruszynski and sophomore Sladjana Vasiljevic were selected to the All-Tournament Team...Gruszynski posted 237 assists (11.29 per game) with 38 digs and 10 blocks...Vasiljevic led NU with 83 kills and a .379 hitting percentage...Sladjana also had 21 aces, including eight against HPU...Sophomore Tracy Martin hit .349 for the tourney with 45 kills (2.14 per game)...Junior Laura Zaskowski tallied 70 kills and 51 digs.

Saginaw Valley State – Senior setter Jamie Reed, in three tournament matches had a total of 111 assists and 54 digs. She averaged 37 assists and 18 digs per match, both team high’s… The Cardinals’ record is now 1-3 after defeating Bellarmine 3-2, and losing a close matches to St. Joe’s and Alderson-Broaddus at the Wheeling Jesuit Tournament.

Wayne State – First-year head coach Limin Jin had his young team ready for play as the Warriors went 3-1 at the Wheeling Jesuit Tournament in West Virginia. The Wayne State volleyball team started the weekend off with a smash hit Saturday. The Warriors defeated Alderson Broaddus (WV) 3-1 (30-19, 20-30, 30-21, 30-21) but dropped an exhausting five-game match to St. Joseph’s (IN) 3-2 (30-26, 30-18, 23-30, 25-30, 13-15). Wayne State wrapped up play Sunday by getting back on the winning page. The Warriors scored victories against the University of Indianapolis 3-1 (19-30, 31-29, 30-18, 31-29) and swept Bellarmine College 3-0 (30-22, 30-27, 34-32). Freshman Megan Smolen led the Warriors in three major categories as she accumulated 53 kills, 65 digs, and 10 service aces. Junior setter Rebecca Hague was busy at the net, totaling 169 assists on the weekend.